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Subj: YOUR FOIA REQUEST DON-NAVY-2023-013246

Dear Mr. White:

This letter is in response to your request under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), assigned tracking number DON-NAVY-2023-013246, received on Jul 11, 2023, in which you seek a copy of "a report regarding an Inspector General complaint, I submitted the complaint in January 2016. The complaint was submitted to Navy region CNR EURAFSWA IG's Office. The case number: 201600254. Investigator/Inspector Christy Ruth handled my complaint case."

Please be advised that, pursuant to procedures established in SECNAVINST 5720.42G, our search for responsive records encompassed all records in existence as of Jul 11, 2023, the date we received your request.

Our search for records included files maintained by US Naval Support Activity Bahrain and the Office of the Inspector General. The search for responsive records has produced the following document: IG Complaint 201600254 case file.

The documents are provided with redactions pursuant to the following FOIA exemption: exemption (b)(6) of the FOIA, 5 USC § 552 which exempts the disclosure of information which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. All responsive records were reviewed for release with the presumption of openness. Any redactions were made only after consideration of whether disclosure would cause reasonably foreseeable harm due to an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. Specifically, I found that disclosure of the names and contact information of the personnel listed in the documents provides no further public interest sufficient to outweigh their expectation of privacy.

In accordance with Navy policy, all fees have been waived.

I am the official responsible reviewing your request. If you have any questions, please contact my FOIA Coordinator at maria.m.miele2.ln@us.navy.mil

You have the right to an appeal. It must be received within 90 calendar days from the date of this letter. Please provide the appellate authority the following in an envelope marked "FOIA appeal":

• a letter requesting an appeal that explains what you are appealing with any supporting arguments or reasons you think may be worthy of consideration;

- a copy of your initial request;
- a copy of the letter of denial.

Also, please provide us with a copy of your appeal letter at maria.m.miele2.ln@us.navy.mil.

You can submit your appeal to the following address;

Department of the Navy Office of the General Counsel 1000 Navy Pentagon, Room 5A532 Washington, DC 20350-1000

If you have any questions, please contact the FOIA coordinator at maria.m.miele2.ln@us.navy.mil. You may also contact the DON FOIA Public Liaison, Christopher Julka, at christopher.a.julka@navy.mil, (703) 697-0031. In addition, the Office of Government Information Services provides a voluntary mediation process for resolving disputes between persons making FOIA requests and the Department of the Navy (DON). For more information, go to https://www.archives.gov/ogis/about-ogis/contact-information.

Sincerely,

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